

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3508
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SPECIAL DUTY ALLOWANCE
Bose Shri Subrata

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Special Duty Allowance (SDA) is paid to the civilian employees of Government hailing from outside North-Eastern Region (NER) when posted to NER ;
- (b) The details of current rate of SDA to various ranks of employees ;
- (c) Whether SDA is also paid to civilian employees hailing from NER but posted in remote areas in North-East from Guwahati to Gangtok or to a far off places like Chennai, Kerala, Pondicherry, etc; and
- (d) if not, the rationale behind making SDA inadmissible to employees belonging to NER in such instances ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

- (a): Special Duty Allowance (SDA) is paid to Civilian Central Government employees who have 'All India Transfer Liability' on their posting to North-Eastern Region from outside the Region.
- (b): Special Duty Allowance is admissible to the eligible Central Government employees @ 12.5% of the basic pay.
- (c): No, Sir. However, they may be entitled to Special Duty Allowance/Island Special (Duty) Allowance if the condition of All India Transfer Liability' is fulfilled and are posted in Sikkim, Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Group of Islands where these orders are applicable mutatis-mutandis.
- (d): Special Duty Allowance is granted to Central Government employees of All India Transfer Liability on posting from outside the region as an incentive to serve in the NER/A&N and Lakshadweep Islands.